

Italy - 08 Nights, 09 Days:

Day 01:

Arrive Rome Airport, clear immigration, collect your luggage and transfer to your hotel. Check in hotel. (Check in post 1500 hours)

Overnight in Rome.

Day 02:

Breakfast in hotel. Today morning proceed for the city tour of Rome. We begin with visiting the Pantheon in Rome in complete peace and quiet. Skip the line at the ticket office and access the site directly by presenting your dated and nominative tickets at the security check, where a short wait may be possible. Once inside, marvel at the grandeur of the dome and the timeless elegance of this monument dedicated to the gods. Your visit is enriched by a short, concise and captivating audio guide on smartphone, which offers you all the essential information to understand the fascinating history of the Pantheon without ever being boring.

A 5-minute walk from the Pantheon in Rome, immerse yourself in the magic of the Trevi Fountain, one of Rome's iconic jewels. Admission is free, as this Baroque masterpiece is outdoors. Discover the majestic sculptures and impressive engineering details that make this fountain a true work of art. With the smartphone audio guide, let yourself be transported by captivating descriptions that reveal the secrets of each element, from mythological figures to technical prowess. An enriching visit that will reveal the splendor and fascinating history of this must-see place.

In the afternoon, immerse yourself in history by visiting the Colosseum in Rome. Skip the line at the ticket office and enter directly by presenting your dated and nominative tickets at the security check, where a short wait may be possible. Inside, discover the immensity of this iconic monument where epic battles and grandiose spectacles have taken place. Your visit is accompanied by a concise and exciting smartphone audio guide that gives you all the keys to understanding the general elements of the Colosseum without getting bored. Explore the Colosseum and let yourself be transported by the fascinating history of this mythical place.

Later set off to explore the Roman Forum, the vibrant heart of ancient Rome. No queues at the ticket office: with your dated and nominative tickets, you can access the site directly after a quick security check, where a slight wait may occur. Explore the majestic ruins of this historic site, once the political, religious and commercial centre of the Roman Empire.

Along with the Roman Forum, explore the Palatine Hill, one of the most legendary places in Rome. Walk among the ruins of the imperial palaces and admire the breath taking views of the Roman Forum and the Colosseum.

Explore the Imperial Forums, a group of majestic squares that tell the story of the greatness of the Roman Empire. As you walk among these impressive ruins, you will discover the remains of the forums built by the emperors to glorify their reign. Admire the majestic columns, triumphal arches and temples dedicated to the gods and heroes of Rome. Every step transports you into history, into the heart of the political and social life of the ancient capital of the world. A must-see visit to immerse yourself in the very essence of ancient Rome.

Overnight in Rome.

Day 03:

Breakfast in hotel. This morning we proceed to visit the Vatican City. Together with your guide, set foot inside the smallest country in the world via the fastest possible entrance!

One of the first stops inside the Vatican Museums is the Pinecone Courtyard where you will find the Sphere within a Sphere sculpture as well as the Roman fountain, an enormous bronze pinecone, that lends the courtyard its name.

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The bronze Sphere within a Sphere sculpture by Arnaldo Pomodoro marries this historic setting with a touch of modern art.

The Vatican Museums are made up of multiple Museums forming many "wings". The wing containing the highest concentration of highlights is the Pio Clementino Museum. Follow your guide from the Octagonal open-air courtyard where you will encounter the Laocoonte and Apollo Belvedere, to the eerily life-like statues in the Room of the Animals. Check out the masterfully painted vaults creating a 3D effect in the Gallery of the Candelabra. In this Gallery of hand-painted maps, you can admire the world how it was seen nearly 5 centuries ago. With the help of your guide, pick out the towns in Italy you have visited, or just enjoy the incredible hand-painted details that make these maps unique.

"Raphael's Rooms" inside the Vatican Museums are a spectacular testament to the talent of the painter Raphael, as well the inspiration of the master Michelangelo. Explore them with your guide.

Your guide will prepare you to take in the Sistine Chapel ahead of time, as no speaking is allowed in this sacred place. Admire this monumental work by Michelangelo.

Your visit ends at the entrance of the Vatican Museums. From here, you are free to continue to explore on your own within official opening hours.

Day 04:

Breakfast in hotel. Check out and proceed to the train station to board your train to Florence.

Arrive Florence Santa Maria Novella Train Station and transfer to the hotel. Check in hotel. (Check in at 1500 hours).

Keep the luggage in the hotel lobby and proceed to visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

One of the world's most iconic landmarks, the Leaning Tower of Pisa captivates visitors with its unique tilt and architectural beauty. While entry tickets are not included in the tour, you'll have free time to explore the tower at your own pace. We recommend booking your tickets in advance to ensure availability and make the most of your visit!

The Pisa city walls are historic fortifications constructed primarily in the 12th century to protect the city of Pisa, Italy. These defensive walls encompassed the city, featuring towers, gates, and ramparts. Over time, the walls underwent modifications and expansions, showcasing a blend of architectural styles. While parts of the walls have been lost, some sections still stand, contributing to Pisa's historical heritage and serving as a testament to its medieval defensive structures.

Overnight in Florence.

Day 05:

Breakfast in hotel. Start the day with a walking tour of the historical center, covering all the must-see outdoor sights. We'll admire the iconic Ponte Vecchio, the leather market and rub the nose of Il Porcellino for good luck. Your expert guide will lead you around Piazza Signoria where you'll hear the stories behind the beautiful sculptures and see the place where Michelangelo's 'David' once stood. Your tour continues with a Skip-the-Line and a pre-reserved entry time to the Accademia Gallery, home to Michelangelo's 'David. Before entering, your guide will help you admire him from every angle, explaining the techniques that Michelangelo used to make marble look as soft as butter.

The highlight of the city walking tour is the Florence Cathedral, whose incredible red dome is the city's crown jewel. The dome was not without challenges for architect Filippo Brunelleschi, as your guide will explain as you



view the masterpiece from outside. Entrance to the Duomo is always free, so you can come back at any time to explore the cathedral in more depth, equipped with an abundance of knowledge shared by your expert, local guide. After the Florence walking tour you will have approx. 1.5-hours of free time for lunch (at own expense) before regrouping for the final leg of the day, a visit to the Uffizi Gallery where you can breeze past the long lines with your Skip the Line Access Ticket.

End the day with a Skip the Line Access at the Uffizi Gallery saving us hours wasted in line to enter instantly and get the best from your visit on our one and a half hour guided tour, . You will navigate the iconic works by Giotto, Leonardo da Vinci, Botticelli, Perugino, Michelangelo, Titian and Vasari to name just a few.

Overnight in Florence.

Day 06:

Breakfast in hotel. Check out and proceed to the train station to board your train to Venice.

Arrive Venice Santa Lucia Train Station and transfer to the hotel. Check in hotel. (Check in at 1500 hours).

Overnight in Venice.

Day 07:

Breakfast in hotel. Enjoy a guided walk in Venice and a gondola tour to sense the true atmosphere of this incomparable city and be left with unforgettable memories of your visit to Italy. Set out on an exciting adventure from St. Luca Square, as you make your way to Campo San Beneto to see the famous Palazzo Fortuny. Admire the stately facade before venturing inside this large, Gothic palace. Decorated to the hilt and showcasing the fabulous works of the artist, Mariano Fortuny, be captivated by the impressive collections of paintings, tapestries, and beautifully crafted lamps, throughout. Walk to Campo San Fantin and gaze at the pristine white facade of the church and the spectacularly opulent and world-renowned La Fenice Opera House. Next, head to Manin square and see the unusual staircase of Palazzo Contarini del Bovolo. Marvel at this 15th-century architectural wonder before making your way to the Rialto area, the oldest part of Venice and the one which still preserves the most genuine customs and traditions of Venice. In the heart of this area, you'll find the famous Rialto Bridge, with its unique staircase densely populated by many shops. Afterward, board a gondola and glide gently through the narrow canals. Immerse yourself in the rich history of this important port as you view the city from this romantic vantage point. Pull out your camera and take plenty of photos as you peacefully float through Venice.

Overnight in Venice.

Day 08:

Breakfast in hotel. Check out and proceed to the train station to board your train to Milan

Arrive Milan Train Station and transfer to the hotel. Check in hotel. (Check in at 1500 hours). Overnight in Milan.

Day 09:

Breakfast in hotel. Check out and proceed to Milan Airport to board your flight back home.